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JOHNSTON LETTER.

The Pastor's Aid Society. Miss Crouch's House Party. A Bridge Party. Many Visitors.

Upon the request of the pastor, Rev. W. S. Brooke, the ladies of the Baptist church met in the Sunday school room on last Monday afternoon, and the outcome of the gathering was the organization of a society that will, no doubt, be the means of promoting the work and welfare of the church. There were about fifty ladies present, and there is no doubt but that every one absent will also be identified with the society by giving in their names. After appropriate scripture reading and prayer Rev. Brooke stated the object of the meeting, and gave an outline of the proposed work. The society was named "The Pastor's Aid Society of the Johnston Baptist Church," the members being all ladies who are willing to do any definite work which the pastor will call upon them to do. The duties of the members shall be to pray daily for the work; to do anything which she may see will be for the good of the church, and ready to do anything the pastor or president of the society may ask her to do. The motto is, "Each member doing all she can, all the time, for the good of the church and the glory of God." The scripture basis, Luke 8:1-2. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. P. C. Stevens; vice-president, Mrs. Fannie Nickerson; secretary, Mrs. W. S. Brooke. Every one present had the secretary to enroll their names as members, and entered with a willing heart and hand in this work that will help promote the Master's Kingdom.

Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Corn are now domiciled in their home which they have recently purchased on West Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Prescott and family, Mr. Justice Prescott and Misses Ruby and Julia Miller, have been guests in the home of Dr. F. L. Parker.

Miss Lois Collins has returned from a two weeks visit to relatives at Edgefield.

Misses Maud and Gladys Sawyer are at home from Georgetown, having spent six months there in the home of their brother, Dr. Olin Sawyer.

Misses Bettie and Mary Waters are at home from Springfield, being accompanied by their cousin, Miss Eva Phillips.

Mrs. E. R. Mobley went over to Columbia last week to carry her son James to the Baptist hospital to have his tonsils removed. The operation was very successful.

Mr. H. W. Crouch is spending two weeks at Atlantic City.

Miss Eloise Hart and Carrie Jones of Edgefield are visiting Mrs. J. A. Lott.

Mr. Walker Wertz of Columbia is visiting relatives here.

The Sunday school of the Baptist church now has twenty classes, a new one, composed of the young matrons, being organized on Sunday.

The erection of the home of Mr. J. W. Sawyer will begin at an early date.

Last week was a round of social festivities, occasioned by the house-party that was in progress in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crouch. The house-party was given by Miss Annie Crouch, her guests all being class-mates of Converse college, and were Misses Crossband, Doty, Edens, Rowe, Mowry and Williford. The first of these functions was a large and beautiful reception given on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Crouch at their lovely home, "Oral Oaks." The home was artistically decorated in Converse colors, purple and yellow, and the lights were also colored. From five-thirty to six-thirty about fifty friends called, and these were greeted by Mrs. Crouch, who was assisted by Mrs. O. D. Black. Mrs. J. A. Dobey escorted the ladies into the library, where punch and two kinds of sandwiches were served by Mesdames E. O. Crouch, C. P. Corn and L. E. Stansell. The table was covered in purple, with many yellow daisies and yellow shaded lights. The receiving line was in the parlor, and standing with Miss Annie Crouch were the members of the house-party, these

Sunbeam Mission Study Class.

Friday afternoon all of the little sunbeam band gathered together on the beautiful sloping lawn adjoining the home of Mrs. Curran Felham, who entertained the Mission Study class of the sunbeams. Chairs were placed about for the older people who came, and the children were grouped on the lawn awaiting the program of the afternoon. Each child was asked to repeat a Bible verse, and afterwards a prayer was offered.

The mission study book is called "Around the World with Jack and Janet," and the children studied about two other little children who were travelling around the world, and the wonders and the strange people that they saw.

Mrs. J. L. Mims told the story of the part of the trip around the world from Egypt to the Red Sea, then the story was taken up by others, and the children visited, in their imagination, the wonderful island of Ceylon, and the ancient land of India.

Miss Norma Shannonhouse was dressed in the costume of an Egyptian princess, wearing beads brought from Egypt. As the story progressed to Egypt, Norma stood up that the children could see her and know how the Egyptian people dress.

Another little girl, Juanita Hightower, was dressed in the costume of a native girl of Ceylon, while still another guest wore the costume of a Mohammedon woman.

After the meeting was closed the children played games and enjoyed themselves on the grass until they were invited to partake of refreshing lemonade and cake. Everybody who has ever been a member of a mission study class knows what a good time they must have had.

Guest.

"UNCLE IV" COMES AGAIN.

Good Edgefield-Georgia Neighbors. Makes Personal References to Old Comrades in Arms.

Editor Edgefield Advertiser:

Well, I am still a kicking, but not very high; still on the move, but not very fast. What is the matter? Well, you know Gen. Green had attacked our crops and we had him to fight, but having mobilized our force by not stopping the plows during the dry spell we were ready for the engagement when his scouts, the rain, set in, and this week we finished the fight and Gen. Green's army is no more, and is now in just about the fix Carranza will be in if there is not some backing down done, for Uncle Sam has said, too much is enough.

Well, I still am finding Edgefield folks near me. A daughter of Mr. Godie McManus lives in about a mile. She is now Mrs. Leila Eubanks and a cousin to Trapp McManus of your town, and a cousin also to Brooks, Luther, Oscar, Will and Robert Timmerman. And a Mr. Horne lives in about two miles. He says he is a son of little Ab. Horne from near the old Pine house that married Henry Kendrick's sister, and a Mr. John Beasley, a brother to Jim that used to live near Parkville; and, also, a Mrs. Sellers, who was Mrs. Curtis that lived near Parkville in the early nineties. None of them live over three miles from me. And then I hear that Hamp and Charlie Myers, sons of George, who used to live on Elbert Hite's land, near where John Sexton McDaniel now lives.

Jim Beasley's widow has married again; and her oldest daughter is

zibah that I broke out from Gen. Green's jail last Wednesday evening, and I was certainly a tired old man, but not dead yet.

Look here, Mr. Editor, get Heavy (J. N. Griffin) to tell you which one of his horses killed the shoat while we were recruiting in Hank Bank Valley in the winter of 1862, and Mike (H. E. Mealing) to tell whether he found the enemy when he shelled the woods feeling for them, and Sam Roper to tell you about his getting foundered on apple jack, and how Dr. Watt Taylor cured him, and Hooter (W. A. Howle) about how he acted the fool when taken a prisoner near Martinburg, Va., in October 1862. Why, sir, it would relieve you of the toothache to hear Hooter tell it, and Hugh Scott to tell about some of his narrow escapes while scouting, especially about the day he went into a little town and being shot at from the windows and getting away, after emptying his double barrel shot gun and pistol. But, Mr. Editor, the old Reb must stop now, for it brings to my mind too many sad thoughts, and of a brother (Drue) who was killed near Richmond, Va., and lies in the Hollywood cemetery near Richmond; and, also, of another brother (Sam) who was captured at Charlotte, N. C., in March, 1863, and did not reach home until July, and walked home, too, from the North Carolina and Tennessee line.

We had all given him up as killed, except mother. She would say: "I don't feel like Sammie is killed, and that he will come home again, and I will see those big white eyes again." And she did. I can see her now as she stood in the door when he came in sight. (I had met him about a mile from home, and went on ahead to break the news to her, and try and prepare her for the meeting.) I can see her now. Not a word she spoke, and when he came up the steps she threw her arms around him, kissed him, and said: "I never felt like you were dead, but that I would see you again." There were six boys of us. Four of the six served in the war, and now only two of us, J. C. and myself, and one sister of five, Mrs. M. H. Cartledge, living. She is a widow, her husband having lost a leg in North Carolina and was sent home, and lived until in February 1881, he and a daughter dying the

PHILIPPI CONVENTION.

Inter-Denominational Sunday School Convention Held Saturday and Sunday at Philippi.

The editor of The Advertiser attended the Edgefield County Inter-Denominational Sunday school convention at Philippi church on Sunday. We regret that pressing business prevented our attending Saturday, which we have been informed was a very profitable day.

Soon after the convention convened Saturday morning the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

George W. Scott, president; Andrew C. Yonce, vice-president; G. F. Long, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Mamie N. Tillman, elementary superintendent; C. M. Mellichamp, intermediate superintendent; Mr. Simmons of Johnston, adult superintendent. Mr. Scott made a splendid presiding officer, and Prof. Long served as clerk, with characteristic efficiency.

Those who were present on Saturday have spoken in very complimentary terms of the excellent addresses and of the splendid hospitality of the good people of Philippi. Personally the writer knows nothing of the two sessions on Saturday, but we can speak of the pleasure and profit derived from the Sunday programme.

In the forenoon two Sunday school specialists employed by the State organization, Miss Agnes Ravenel and Mr. R. D. Webb, spoke. The former selected as her theme "Building Up a Sunday School Through Forward Step Plan," and Mr. Webb spoke for nearly an hour on "A World-Wide View on Sunday School Work." Both of these addresses were very instructive as

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A profitable feature of the morning exercise was the answering of questions concerning different phases of Sunday school work by Mr. Webb. More than a dozen practical questions were asked, each one presenting some difficulty with which a teacher or superintendent had met. Mr. Webb at once gave them the benefit of his experience and observation.

The hospitality of the good people of the Philippi section knows no bounds. Probably the largest number of persons ever assembled at Philippi were present Sunday, and yet dinner was not only served in great abundance for all—the very best of everything the land affords—but it was served without the least confusion. The Philippi people know how to do things right. Everybody went to their home Sunday afternoon rejoicing that it was their good fortune to be present.

The convention of 1917 will be held on Thursday and Friday before the first Sunday in July at McKendree, which is another good place to meet.

Mr. Quarles Improving.

Several days ago the editor of The Advertiser wrote Mr. J. D. Quarles, who is in the University hospital in Augusta, a personal note and sent him a copy of the Advertiser, and Tuesday morning we received the following note from him stating that he is improving:

Dear Mr. Mims:

I received your letter and paper and you don't know how much I appreciated them. I am getting along well I think. The Dr. said it won't be long before I can go home.

Your friend,
J. D. Quarles.

Augusta, July 3.

same day.

Crops around where I live are looking all right now, but nearly, if not quite half of the cotton, was planted after the drought, which extended into May.

"Uncle Iv."

Harlem, Ga.

Patriotic Meeting of W. C. T. U.

Mrs. W. H. Dorn was hostess on Monday afternoon at the regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

In face of a great cloud the loyal members of this organization came, filling the parlor and hall, and happy in the opportunity for a re-union after a month's separation.

The programme was of a patriotic nature, and the parlor was decorated with our country's flags, and with posters appropriate to the day. One especially pretty one was the picture of a United States flag under which was printed in bright colors, the words, "Rally around the flag, against our country's greatest foe and fight for a Saloonless Nation and a Stainless Flag." Another was the picture of a boy's head on which was printed, "The country that does not protect the children is doomed." What are the foes from which they should be protected? Alcohol and the cigarette!

The debate on the subject, "Resolved that it is nobler to live than to die for one's country" was the most conspicuous feature of the programme. The affirmative side won, presented by Mrs. T. H. Rainsford and Mrs. M. P. Wells. The negative side was very convincingly presented by Mrs. J. W. Peak and Miss Jennie Pattison. Mrs. M. P. Wells received the largest number of votes for the presentation of the affirmative side, the conclusion being reached by ballot.

Mrs. W. B. Cogburn was in charge of the devotions. A pleasant part of the exercise was a song by William Jones, Dozier Tompkins, Corrie Cheatham, Janette Timmons and Eleanor Mims, and later a solo, "John Barley Corn Goodbye," by William Jones. Miss Columbia in the person of Miss Ruth Lyon was present to enliven the scene and make the anniversary of our country's birthday of freedom more real.

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Mr. Goode Reel Host at an Evening Party.

The saying is that the anticipation of a joy is greater than the joy itself. However this may be, the young people of the younger set looked forward with great pleasure, and enjoyed with still greater pleasure, the party given by Mr. Goode Reel Thursday evening.

No one regretted the recent shower, making it impossible to use the lawn, for the hospitable home was as large and roomy that indoors was as good as out. Popular rag-time music was played during the evening by several ladies. Soon after the guests arrived delightful punch was served on the porch. Japanese lanterns served both for light and decoration. The chandeliers were covered in green, making a soft glow over the room. The guests were delighted when they were handed pencils and paper for a bird contest. They were given a certain length of time in which to answer the questions with the name of some bird. In this contest Mr. Harold Norris and Fanny Wright Hill were the successful ones, the prize being a box of candy.

After a short interval the merriment was stopped for another contest, though this contest itself was to provoke more laughter than anything before. Each person was given a piece of candy with a string about a yard long tied to it, and told to nibble the string, and the one reaching the candy and the end of the string first, would be the winner. Mr. Walter Cantelou was the successful one, chewing the string with the rapidity of lightning. The prize proved to be a miniature bottle of cologne. Everyone was convulsed with laughter during the performance of the last contest. Delightful cream and cake were served and about eleven-thirty the guests departed, after having enjoyed an evening of entertainment and amusement.

A Guest.

FOR SALE: Five milch cows fresh to pair. Geo. W. Adams.

PADGETT-CLEVELAND.

Very Beautiful Wedding at Baptist Church. Followed by Reception at Home of Bride's Parents.

A church wedding, preceded by luncheons, teas and dances, and followed by a reception, reminds one of a continued love story in a magazine. The old maxim, "all the world loves a lover," must be true, at least of Edgefield, for on Wednesday evening the First Baptist church was crowded with the youth, and the older youths of Edgefield, to witness the marriage of Miss Natalie Padgett to Mr. Norwood Cleveland of Greenville.

It really does every one good to witness a lovely scene and to hear an impressive and sacred ceremony. As we entered the church, it seemed to be lit by a mellow radiance. The decorations consisted of garlands of white roses draped from the chandeliers, each individual globe forming a white rose. Lighted candles, without which no wedding is complete, formed a part of the decorations and light. The beauty of the place, and the music of the orchestra and pipe organ cast a sort of spell over the place, or perhaps we need not look for the reason of the spell, when two lovers are kneeling for a blessing. The color usually so dominant in weddings was absent, but how can color compare with the purity of whiteness? The bridesmaids' bouquets, however, were of "deep rosy red, love's proper hue." One felt that in such an atmosphere the white roses, had they been real, would never have withered, but thrived. The groomsmen wore full evening dress, and the bridesmaids were charming in white taffeta with sprays of pink roses.

The ushers were Messrs. Hoke Black of Greenville, Arthur Tom-

Miss Helen Tillman, the first bridesmaid, entered with Mr. William Beattie of Greenville, Miss Lizzie Hollingsworth entered with Mr. Mitchell Reynolds, Miss Aemee Sloan of Piedmont with Mr. Elliott Padgett, Miss May Tompkins entered with Mr. Carey Whitner of Greenville, Miss Nelle Jones with Mr. Dick Arrington of Greenville, and Miss Snow Jeffries of Spartanburg with Mr. Max Rice of Belton.

Miss Gladys Padgett, the bride's sister, was the maid of honor, while Mrs. Ralph Rothery, a former schoolmate of the bride, was the dame of honor.

The bride came in on the arm of her father, while the groom entered with his brother, Mr. Mays Cleveland.

The ceremony was performed by Dr. E. Pendleton Jones.

The little flower girls were June Nicholson, Gladys Lawton, Kathryn Stewart and Dorothy Marsh, and the graceful little ring bearer was Jerald LaGrone, Jr.

For the audience the spell at least must break, though only to be renewed at the delightful reception at the bride's home, after the ceremony.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Padgett and invited to partake of the delightful punch, served by Misses Kathryn Mims, Margaret May, Grace Tompkins and June Rainsford.

Here the orchestra was awaiting us, and we had the privilege of congratulating the happy bride and groom and to meet the bridal party. In the library there was an array of exquisite presents, consisting of silver, hand-painted china and cut glass. It seemed that the choicest of Tiffany and the master pieces of the artists had been sought for and found and brought for the bride.

Hand painted souvenirs were given the guests, while the bridal party was honored with souvenirs of lovely miniature slippers. The bride's table was lovely in the pink decorations of roses.

The decorations in the parlor were very artistic, where a lovely arch of white roses, each lit with an electric light, was guarded from above by a beautiful white and gold butterfly. On the mantel was a

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